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How To Make Your House Winterproof

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1. Seal unused doors & windows; fasten closed, stuff rags into cracks & paste tape over them.
 2. Weatherstrip around doors & windows in use.
 3. Caulk around outside frames of doors & windows.
 4. Put up storm doors & windows, bought ready-made of kiln-dried lumber.
 5. Caulk cracks under eaves, & in basement where frame-work meets foundation.
 6. Close off all unused rooms; stop door cracks with felt weather-stripping or neat strips of cloth before closing.
 7. If using attic, insulate ceiling; if not, insulate floor.

8. The following are practical "do it yourself" insulating jobs:
- a. felt weatherstripping around windows.
 - b. caulking compound in cracks.
 - c. storm sash and storm doors.
 - d. attic insulation with loose material, batts or insulating "blankets."
9. Professional help is needed, usually, for insulating spaces between inner and outer walls of completed homes.
10. Cost should not be the controlling factor. Buy "quality" insulating materials.
11. Have your furnace inspected and overhauled by a competent heating contractor.

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